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- 1.) Information Disclosure Statement;
- 2.) Form PTO 1449, including 30 References;
- 3.) Copy of the International Search Report from PCT/US03/24352; and
- 4.) Return Postcard.

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Applicant and his legal representatives hereby make of record on the attached PTO Form-1449 the following publications, which are known to them and considered warranting disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. Copies of each of these publications are enclosed.

The enclosed publications listed on the PTO Form-1449 with an asterisk (\*) were cited in an International Search Report issued in connection with a counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty application No. PCT/US03/24352. A copy of the International Search Report is also enclosed for the Examiner's review.

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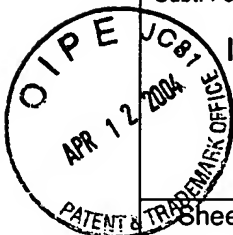
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